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FOR MR. ROGERS

FOL REPEAT OF SANTIAGO 3591 TO SECSTATE MAY 30

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SANTIAGO 3591

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: OASGA, CI SHUM

SUBJ: FONMIN CARVAJAL'S VIEWS ON OASGA AND RELATED MATTERS

REF: STATE 124234

1. I CALLED ON FONMIN CARVAJAL MAY 29 TO ASSESS HIS REACTIONS TO HIS ACTIVITIES IN WASHINGTON DURING THE OASGA.

2. THERE WERE NO PARTICULAR SURPRISES IN CARVAJAL'S RESPONSES TO MY OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS. MAIN POINTS HE MADE WERE AS FOLLOWS.

3. MEETING WITH SECRETARY. CARVAJAL SAID IT HAD BEEN CORDIAL AND POSITIVE. HE APPRECIATED SECRETARY'S WORDS OF UNDERSTANDING RE CHILE AND WAS HOPEFUL THAT SOMETHING COULD BE DONE RE RESUMPTION OF MILITARY SALES TO CHILE, AT LEAST AS REGARDS MUNITIONS AND PARTS FOR ITEMS ALREADY CONFIDENTIAL

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DELIVERED OR TO BE DELIVERED. NOTED THAT THERE WAS POSSIBILITY SECRETARY MIGHT YET VISIT CHILE, MENTIONING AUGUST AS DATE, AND EXPRESSED HOPE HE WOULD DO SO.

4. APPRECIATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. LIKE OTHER CONCERNED MEMBERS OF GOC, CARVAJAL EXPRESSED GREAT GRATITUDE FOR USG FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO CHILE, DIRECTLY AND IN MULTILATERAL ORGANIZATIONS. HE REFERRED SPECIFICALLY TO \$20 MILLION IBRD LOAN, PARIS CLUB RESCHEDULING EXERCISE, AND INFLUENCE OF US GOVERNMENT IN ONGOING EFFORTS TO ARRANGE COMMERCIAL BANK LOANS IN NEW YORK.

5. HUMAN RIGHTS. CARVAJAL EXPRESSED SATISFACTION AT OUTCOME IN OAS. HE WAS PLEASED THAT CONGRESSMAN FRASER HAD BEEN ABLE TO TALK WITH SERGIO DIEZ, NOW ACTING AS MINISTRY'S HUMAN RIGHTS EXPERT. CARVAJAL THOUGHT CHILEAN AMBASSADOR TRUCCO WAS DOING A GOOD JOB IN DEALING WITH MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND HOPED THEIR GREATER FAMILIARITY WITH PROBLEM WOULD LEAD TO MORE BALANCED VIEWS. I TOLD HIM WE TOO HAD HAD GOOD REPORTS REGARDING HANDLING OF MUTTER IN OAS AND RE CONGRESSIONAL DISCUSSIONS. MADE POINT THAT AS RESULT OF TALKS WITH CONGRESSMAN FRASER AND POSSIBLY OTHERS, EXPECTATIONS HAD NOW BEEN CREATED THAT CHILE WOULD IN FACT IMPLEMENT THOSE IMPROVEMENTS IN PRACTICE WHICH ITS REPRESENTATIVES HAD MENTIONED IN WASHINGTON. I NOTED IN THIS CONNECTION NEW ARTICLES IN WASHINGTON POST RE MISTREATMENT OF DETAINEES. FONMIN DID NOT REACT.

6. NEW OASGA FORMAT AND THE DIALOGUE. ON THE WHOLE, CARVAJAL THOUGHT NEW PROCEDURE OF INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS WAS AN IMPROVEMENT, THOUGH HE COMPLAINED OF LACK OF PUNCTUALITY, VERBOSITY, AND PROCEDURAL DISORDER IN THE DISCUSSIONS. THOUGHT A FORMAL AGENDA FOR THE INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS MIGHT BE HELPFUL. AS TO THE DIALOGUE, DESPITE WHAT HAD BEEN DONE THERE WAS INEVITABLY SOME FLAVOR OF CONFRONTATION AS BETWEEN LATIN AMERICAN REPS AND USG, BUT HE NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THAT EFFORT TO EMPHASIZE IT MADE BY PERUVIANS AT THEIR DIPLOMATIC LUNCH BEFORE OPENING OF OASGA HAD NOT PROSPERED.

7. CUBA AND RIO TREATY. CARVAJAL CONSIDERED MEXICAN CONFIDENTIAL

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FONMIN RABASA'S RESOLUTION ON CUBA A LEGAL ABSURDITY, AND WELCOMED DECISION TO GET MATTER SETTLED ON A PROPER JURIDICAL BASIS THROUGH JULY SAN JOSE MEETING. HE APPEARED RESIGNED TO RAPID ACTION LOOKING TOWARD DECISION BY MAJORITY TO LEFT SANCTIONS, ALTHOUGH OF COURSE HE IS NOT PLEASED ABOUT IT.

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